

ALLIED TROOPS IN TURKISH PORT

Landing of Strong Force at
Enos Causes Optimism
in London.

NO CHANGE IN EAST OR WEST

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General Offensive.

London, Oct. 19.—The reports that the Allies have occupied Strumitsa and landed at Enos, which was recently transferred from Turkish to Bulgarian rule, has caused a more optimistic feeling throughout the allied countries.

As to the progress of the near Eastern campaign, it is known from both Serbian and German accounts that Field Marshal Von Mackensen's army is meeting with greater resistance than was expected, and although it is probable that the Serbians eventually must fall back on stronger strategic positions in the north, the fact that the Allies are bringing heavy forces against the Bulgarians and so placing them that the Bulgarians will be compelled to divide their armies, gives hope here that the Germans may be balked in their latest attempt to reach the sea and bring assistance to the Turks.

Allies Making Progress.

It is pointed out the capture of Strumitsa is of real strategic value as its occupation permits the defense of the southern end of the railway and compels the Bulgarians to keep a force there. Enos, too, is of value, as, although not a good landing place, its occupation threatens Dedegatch, which has a great harbor and is fortified and mined. The civilian population has already left Dedegatch, which is entirely in the hands of the military under German officers.

Fighting East and West.

There has been plenty of heavy fighting on both the Eastern and Western fronts, but in neither case has either side attempted a general offensive. The Germans are still making a great effort between Riga and Dvinsk and have met with some minor successes, but thence to the Rumanian border, wherever there has been any fighting, it is said the Russians, who are attacking, claim some gains.

Much the same conditions prevail on the Western front. The British have been attacking east of Verdun, according to the Berlin report, while the Germans attacked the French near Souchez and the French took the offensive in Champagne, Lorraine and the Vosges. None of these attempts is making any marked alterations in the positions of the armies.

TEXAS HAS ANOTHER FLOOD

Near Denison Crops Were Destroyed
and Railroad Traffic Demoralized
—Many Washouts Reported.

Denison, Tex., Oct. 19.—Crops worth hundreds of thousands of dollars were destroyed and railway traffic in some sections of North and Central Texas and Southern Oklahoma was demoralized today by floods which resulted from the heavy rains of yesterday and last night. The corn crop has been entirely ruined in various places, while thousands of bales of cotton have been destroyed.

The Red river, which rose thirteen feet, carried away 165 feet of the north end of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway bridge here, together with four loaded coal cars, used as an anchor. All passenger trains north over the Katy and Frisco lines have been annulled.

Washouts on the Katy line near Atoka, Ok., and on the Santa Fe near Gainesville, Tex., have interrupted service on those lines. Small bridges and culverts all through this section have been swept away.

GERMAN PROTEST IGNORED

Washington, Oct. 19.—High State Department officials indicated today that no action would be taken by this government in the matter of the affidavits filed by Berlin alleging that ten German submarine sailors were killed in violation of international law, as reported by American members of the crew of the British steamer Nicotian.

The killing of the German sailors as they were trying to escape does not put any duty upon this government to protest to Great Britain, according to the present attitude of the State Department. This alleged barbarity stands on the same international legal footing as alleged atrocities in Belgium.

CAPT. ELIAS R. MONFORT



Capt. Elias R. Monfort of Cincinnati is the newly elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He served in the Union army until he was seriously wounded in the battle of Gettysburg. For fifteen years he was the postmaster of Cincinnati, resigning last January.

MARKS NEW ERA IN NAVIGATION

Latest United States Battle Ship to
Be Propelled by Electricity—
Will Cost \$15,000,000.

New York, Oct. 15.—The keel of the \$15,000,000 superdreadnought California was laid yesterday at the Brooklyn navy yard. Secretary Daniels, in a speech concluding the brief ceremony attending the beginning of actual work on the fighting craft, said the California will mark the most advanced step taken in naval engineering in many years.

The superdreadnought will be the first large war vessel to be propelled entirely by electricity. Secretary Daniels said electric motors had been thoroughly tested on the collier Jupiter and a most satisfactory type developed.

Besides Secretary Daniels and several members of the naval advisory board, more than 1,000 persons saw Commander George H. Rock, chief of construction at the yard, guide the two center plates and the key plate into position. He riveted them with four nickel plated bolts. Workmen then placed a silver horseshoe and tablet just ahead of the point on the ways where the California's bow will rest.

The vessel will be of 32,000 tons displacement, length 525 feet and beam 97 1/4 feet. She will carry twelve 14-inch guns and twenty-two five-inch guns, as well as having four submerged torpedo tubes.

Mr. Daniels told about the tests on the collier Jupiter and he added this comment and prophecy:

"The California is the logical outcome of the department's experiments on the Jupiter. She will be the first battle ship of any navy in the world to be propelled by electricity. Prophecy is always risky, but it is hardly too much to say that the installation of the electric drive upon the California ushers in a new epoch in navigation, just as far reaching and important as that in which steam succeeded sail power."

The new battle ship California will be greater in size than any foreign battle ship built or building. The California and her two sister ships, the Mississippi and the Idaho, already authorized, will each displace 32,000 tons, almost 1,000 tons more than the new dreadnought Pennsylvania, now on the way to completion.

Triplets and Two Sets of Twins.
San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 14.—Three boys were born to Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Burk, Ballinger, Tex., yesterday. The couple are already the parents of two sets of twins, 4 and 7 years old.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

—Production for the first time in the United States of commercial mineral potash, for which in the past Americans have spent millions of dollars abroad annually, was announced recently by Secretary Lane of the interior department.

—Reports made public recently by Secretary Lane show that more than twice as many people visited the national parks of the West during the season just closed than last year. The Yellowstone park recorded 51,330 tourists.

ALLIED FORCES INTO BULGARIA

Armies of Britain, France and
Servia Occupy Stronghold
at Strumnitza.

GERMANS RESUME OFFENSIVE

Russians Forced Out of Positions Near
Riga—Slavs Attack West of
Dvinsk—Lull in West.

London, Oct. 18.—Strumnitza, in Bulgaria, has been occupied by the allied armies of Great Britain, France and Servia, according to official advices from Saloniki, telegraphed by the Reuter correspondent at Athens. Strumnitza is a city of about three thousand population. It is one of Bulgaria's main border strongholds, lying just inside the border nine miles north of the Greek frontier. It undoubtedly was relied upon greatly by the Bulgarians to keep the Allies out of the country.

Allies Help Serbs.

Already many thousands of the British and French troops who were landed in Saloniki are on their way to form a junction with the Serbians or to take up strategic positions against the Bulgarian advance. A late dispatch from Malta, the British naval station in the Mediterranean, predicts that the entente allies will, in the next few days, send strong new forces to Saloniki for operations against the Austro-Germans and Bulgarians.

French troops have encountered the Bulgarian army at Ghevgheli, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Athens.

Hit Slavs Near Riga.

The Germans have taken the offensive south of Riga and forced the Russians out of their positions, capturing a large number of prisoners and some guns. On the rest of the eastern front the offensive remains in the hands of the Russians, who are attacking west of Dvinsk, in the center, and to the south of the Pripiet river.

Lull in West.

There is somewhat of a lull in Flanders and Champagne on the western front—probably the calm before another storm of shells. Activity for the moment has been transferred to Lorraine, where the French report the capture of a trench north of Reillon, and to the Vosges, where the Germans have again withdrawn from Hartmanns-Weilerkopf, which has changed hands many times.

British Declare War on Bulgaria.
London, Oct. 16.—Great Britain has declared war on Bulgaria.

The British foreign office announces that in view of the fact that Bulgaria has announced she is at war with Serbia, and is an ally of the central powers, his majesty's government has informed the Bulgarian government through the Swedish minister at London, who is in charge of Bulgarian interests, that a state of war exists between Great Britain and Bulgaria as from 10 p. m. Serbia also declared war on Bulgaria today.

The seat of the Serbian government has been transferred to Mitrovitz, near the Montenegrin frontier, according to a dispatch to the Milan Secolo from Bucharest.

Hard Fighting Continues.
From all the main battle fronts come news of continued fighting, but from none of them has been received any indications of victories or reverses which would make a marked change in the general situation.

The Austrians, Germans and Bulgarians are proceeding methodically with their invasion of Serbia, which, according to neutral reports, is costing them very heavily in lives of soldiers, as the hardened veterans of Serbia are taking every advantage of the difficult country to inflict the greatest possible loss on the invaders.

Allies Perfecting Plans.
The Quadruple Entente allies are perfecting their preparations to assist the Serbians and every day additional troops are landed at Saloniki, where the French General Sarrail has arrived to take command of the allied forces. What steps Russia and Italy have taken to assist have not yet developed.

The political situation remains unchanged, Greece having formally announced that she would not intervene in behalf of Serbia, "at present" and Rumania, although she is being urged by Germany definitely to define her position, has definitely declared her neutrality.

Along the western front there has been heavy fighting in the Ardennes, Champagne and Vosges regions. Attacks were made by both sides, but the gains and losses are described as being of little importance.

FUTURE SOLDIER A MACHINIST

Chairman of Naval Advisory Board
Talks of Nation's Preparedness
in Chicago Interview.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—"Maintain a potential preparedness for a war in which fighting is done by machines, not men."

That is Thomas A. Edison's advice to America. In an interview here to-night while on his way to the San Francisco fair, the chairman of the general science board of the United States announced some unique and practical ideas on American preparedness and capacity.

"The soldier of the future will not be a saber bearing, bloodthirsty savage," he said. "He will be a machinist. The war of the future—that is, if the United States engages in it—will be a war in which machines, not soldiers, fight."

"For that reason we can gamble safely on a volunteer army, provided we have a great quantity of officers trained and ready for service in forty-eight hours to lead and drill the new men."

"Consider the great amount of powder being shot off on the European battle front every day. I would have built great factories in which twice as much powder as that could be manufactured. I would locate and have stored away enough material to make up the powder."

"Then I wouldn't make it. I would have everything ready so that within forty-eight hours I could go ahead turning it out."

"I think it is a wasteful thing to make shells on lathes as they make them now. We should get up special machines for making them rapidly and in enormous quantities. Then I would grease the machines up and store them away with a great quantity of steel billets ready to be worked upon short notice."

"As to actual fighting, I would rather use machines than men. A man is only one man after all. A machine can be easily as good as twenty men. Then one man, using it, is as good as twenty men. He should be at least that good if he is American."

"America is the greatest machine country in the world and its people are the greatest machinists. They can, moreover, invent machinery faster and have it made more efficient than any other two countries. It is a machine nation, its battle preparation should be with machinery."

TO LEND ITALY \$25,000,000

New York Syndicate Arranges to Handle
Issue of One-Year 6 Per
Cent Notes.

New York, Oct. 18.—Announcement was made tonight that the Italian government has arranged to place an issue of 25 million dollar 1-year notes in the United States. This will be the first direct loan negotiated here by Italy since the beginning of the war, and it will be used in payment for the heavy purchases of war and general supplies now being made by that government in this country. Heretofore these have been largely paid for through London.

Lee, Higginson & Co., of New York and Boston have been appointed to place the loan. The notes will have convertible bond privileges and although not definitely announced, it is thought they will bear about 6 per cent interest. The notes will be offered in denominations of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000, and the principal and interest will be payable in United States gold.

WILSON FAVORS A BIG NAVY

The President Approves Spending
\$500,000,000 in Five Years for
the New War Vessels.

Washington, Oct. 16.—President Wilson has approved Secretary Daniels' recommendation for a five-year construction program for the navy to cost \$500,000,000.

The exact amount to be appropriated for each of the five years has not been decided, but the first year's program calls for two dreadnoughts and two battle cruisers.

The five-year program would call for sixteen capital ships, ten dreadnoughts and six battle cruisers. In order to get the best advantage of improvements in construction and not to overtax the capacity of American navy yards, the first year's construction will include two dreadnoughts and two or possibly three battle cruisers and about twenty-five submarines, sixteen destroyers and probably five scout cruisers.

Belg. Gen. H. B. Freeman Dead.
Douglas, Wyo., Oct. 18.—Brig. Gen. H. B. Freeman, 78 years old, retired, is dead here. General Freeman served fifty-one years in the United States army, rising from the ranks.

WOMAN REFUSES OPERATION

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Louisville, Ky.—"I think if moresuffering women would take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound they would enjoy better health. I suffered from a female trouble, and the doctors decided I had a tumorous growth and would have to be operated upon, but I refused as I do not believe in operations. I had fainting spells, bloated, and could hardly stand the pain in my left side. My husband insisted that I try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I am so thankful I did, for I am now a well woman. I sleep better, do all my housework and take long walks. I never fail to praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for my good health."—Mrs. J. M. RESCH, 1900 West Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

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Going It Too Hard

We are inclined nowadays to "go it too hard," to overwork, worry, eat and drink too much, and to neglect our rest and sleep. This fills the blood with uric acid. The kidneys weaken and then it's a siege of backache, dizzy, nervous spells, rheumatic pains and distressing urinary disorders. Don't wait for worse troubles. Strengthen the kidneys. Use Doan's Kidney Pills.

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